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SUBJECT: ROC AIDE MEMOIRE ON SECRETARY'S FORTHCOMING VISIT TO  
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1. FOLLOWING IS FULL TEXT OF AIDE MEMOIRE GIVEN AMBASSADOR  
BY FONMIN SHEN CHANG-HUAN NOVEMBER 7, 1973. AS DELIVERED  
TO US, AIDE MEMOIRE BEARS NO ROC CLASSIFICATION. HOWEVER,  
WE ARE CLASSIFYING IT CONFIDENTIAL. COMMENT BY SEPTEL.

2. BEGIN TEXT: AS ANNOUNCED BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERN-  
MENT, SECRETARY OF STATE DR. HENRY KISSINGER WILL AGAIN  
VISIT THE CHINESE MAINLAND ON NOVEMBER 10-13, 1973.

3. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA CANNOT BUT FEEL  
DEEPLY CONCERNED OVER THIS VISIT OF DR. KISSINGER AS OVER  
HIS PREVIOUS ONES AND THEIR CUMULATIVE IMPACT. IT IS NOTED  
THAT DR. KISSINGER WILL NOW MAKE THE TRIP TO THE CHINESE  
MAINLAND FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS CAPACITY AS THE  
SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

4. THE BASIC VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF  
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CHINA CONCERNING THE INCREASING CONTACTS BEING SOUGHT BY

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WITH THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY MADE KNOWN IN THE STATEMENT ISSUED BY VICE-PRESIDENT C.K. YEN, THEN CONCURRENTLY PREMIER, ON JULY 16, 1971, AND IN THE STATEMENTS ISSUED BY THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS ON FEBRUARY 17 AND 28, 1972, AND ON FEBRUARY 23, 1973.

5. IN CONNECTION WITH DR. KISSINGER'S PENDING VISIT TO THE CHINESE MAINLAND, THE ATTENTION OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS INVITED TO THE FOLLOWING VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

6. (1) THE MEASURES TAKEN SO FAR BY THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPING ITS CONTACTS WITH THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME HAVE CAUSED GREAT HARM TO THE INTERNATIONAL POSITION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA. SHOULD THE UNITED STATES GO STILL FURTHER IN THE PROMOTION OF ITS RELATIONS WITH THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME, IT IS INEVITABLE THAT SUCH ACTION WOULD IN THE END BRING IRREPARABLE DAMAGE TO THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AS REGARDS ITS INTERNATIONAL POSITION.

7. (2) THE PROMOTION OF A FULL-FLEDGED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE CHINESE COMMUNIST REGIME WOULD NOT ONLY ENCOURAGE THAT REGIME TO BECOME INCREASINGLY ADVENTUROUS, BUT ALSO PROMPT THE FREE NATIONS THAT HAVE NOT DONE SO TO SEEK TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THAT REGIME AT THE EXPENSE OF THEIR EXISTING DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA. SUCH EVENTUALITIES WOULD NATURALLY HAVE THE EFFECT OF CAUSING THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA TO BE PROGRESSIVELY ISOLATED IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY WOULD UNAVOIDABLY PRODUCE DISASTROUS CONSEQUENCES UPON THE WHOLE OF THE ASIAN AND PACIFIC REGION, PARTICULARLY UPON SOUTH-EAST ASIA, IN WHICH THE INTERESTS OF THE UNITED STATES ARE ALSO INVOLVED.

8. (3) IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA REPEATED ASSURANCES AND HAS ALSO MADE PUBLIC STATEMENTS TO THE EFFECT THAT THE UNITED STATES WILL NEVER ABANDON ITS ALLIES  
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NOR SACRIFICE THE INTERESTS OF ITS OLD FRIENDS. IT IS HOPED THAT, CONSISTENT WITH THIS AVOWED POSITION, THE UNITED STATES WILL NOW JOIN WITH THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN REDOUBLING THE EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN AND STRENGTHEN THE FRIENDLY RELATIONS BETWEEN THEM AND THAT, AT LEAST, IT WILL NOT ALLOW THESE RELATIONS TO SUFFER FROM FURTHER SETBACKS.

9. (4) IT WILL ALSO BE RECALLED THAT PRESIDENT NIXON

AND DR. KISSINGER, UPON THEIR RETURN FROM THE VISIT TO  
THE CHINESE MAINLAND IN FEBRUARY 1972, ADVISED THE GOVERN-  
MENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA THROUGH AMBASSADOR JAMES  
SHEN IN WASHINGTON THAT, IN THEIR JUDGEMENT, UPHEAVALS  
WERE BOUND TO OCCUR AND TO GIVE RISE TO CHANGES ON THE  
MAINLAND WITHIN THREE TO FIVE YEARS AND THAT IN THE CIR-  
CUMSTANCES THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA SHOULD REMAIN STEADY AND  
PREPARE FOR SUCH CHANGES. THE DEVELOPMENT ON THE MAIN-  
LAND IN RECENT MONTHS HAS FULLY JUSTIFIED THE VIEWS OF  
PRESIDENT NIXON AND DR. KISSINGER. AT THIS TIME WHEN THE  
CHINESE COMMUNISTS ARE FACING GRAVE DIFFICULTIES BOTH  
WITHIN AND ABROAD, IT APPEARS DESIRABLE FOR THE UNITED  
STATES TO FOLLOW A STEADY COURSE, TAKING INTO FULL ACCOUNT  
THE SITUATION THAT WILL RESULT FROM THOSE ANTICIPATED  
CHANGES ON THE CHINESE MAINLAND. END TEXT.

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